



MTAC ORANGE COAST CITIES BRANCH NEWSLETTER February 2008

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CALENDAR

(♠ meetings, deadlines, ♪ performances ♦ workshops)

February

- Feb. 1 **Deadline** for Feb. 17 **Adult Student Workshop** - contact **Christine Jones**
- Feb. 2 ♪ **Baroque Festival** 8:30am (Saddleback College)
- Feb. 9 **Deadline** for Feb. 24 **Community Service Recital** - mail to **Jennifer King**
- Feb. 15 **Deadline** for **Composers Today's** regional application due to **Angela Leu**
- Feb. 15 **Deadline** for **Young Composers Guild** applications due to **YCG Chair Ron Anderson** (626-836-8935)
- Feb. 16 ♪ **VOCE Recital** 9am (Saddleback College)
- Feb. 13 ♠ **Branch Meeting** 10am (LHCC) **Craig Richey**, "Piano / Chamber Ensemble"
- Feb. 17 ♦ **Adult Student Workshop** 1pm (MVCC)
- Feb. 23 ♪ **Bach Festival** TBA (Geneva Presbyterian Church, Laguna Woods)
- Feb. 23/24 ♪ **CM Panel Regional Audition** (also on Mar. 1 & 2)
- Feb. 24 ♪ **Community Service Recital** 3pm (Freedom Village, Lake Forest)

March

- Mar. 8/9 ♪ **CM Voice Evaluations** (Saddleback College)
- Mar. 12 ♠ **Branch Meeting** 10am (LHCC) **Pam French Blaine** "Class Act", sponsored by **Pacific Symphony**
- Mar. 15 ♪ **CM Strings Evaluations** (Saddleback College)
- Mar. 15/16 ♪ **CM Theory Testing** (MVCC/MV Library)
- TBA ♪ **Panel Finals South**
- Mar. 29 **Deadline** for Apr. 13 **Community Service Recital** -mail to **Jennifer King**
- Mar. 30 ♪ **CM Keyboard Evaluations: Day 1** (Saddleback College)
- Mar. 30 **Deadline** for Apr. 13 **Showcase Recital** application/dues to **Nilou Sarraf**
- Mar. 30 **Deadline** for **Composers Today: State Contest** to **Angela Leu**

ANGELA'S ARIA President's Message

It was wonderful to have a large number of our members and visitors present at the January meeting. Thanks to **Dr. E.L. Lancaster** for showing us many teaching techniques in developing a student's listening skills. And thanks to **Da Capo Music** for providing the opportunity to purchase related teaching material on site.

Thank you so much to **Lillian Cunningham** for providing delicious refreshments for our monthly meetings since September. Please contact Lillian (380-8370) or me (697-2888) if you will help hospitality for the up coming meetings.

Our next **Community Service Recital** will be held at **Freedom Village** on **February 24**. Please remind your students and make sure that their performing pieces are memorized. Thanks to **Katherine Buck** and **Jennifer King** for doing an excellent job in running this program.

2008 MTAC Convention will run between **June 27** and **July 1** in **Riverside**. *Celebrating the Music of America* is the theme of this year's convention, and a convention you won't want to miss. Our branch will choose one member who has never before attended convention, to receive a free convention registration. If you are interested in attending this year's convention as a first timer, please contact me.

The next branch meeting is on **Wednesday, February 13** at **Laguna Hills Community Center**. Pianist **Craig Richey** will be giving piano and ensemble master class at the meeting. As a reminder, our meetings normally start at **10:00 AM**. I would like to start our meetings on time and be respectful to our guest speakers and teachers who are on a tight schedule. Please feel free to come a little early or stay a little longer after the meeting to enjoy refreshments and chat with each other. I hope to see all of you at our next meeting.

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone!

Angela Leu

*A Request from Bob Casper
(OCC Branch Webmaster)*



It is vital that **Bob Casper** to have your current email address in order to forward information from board members and festival chairs to the members and to send the newsletter.

If your email address in the directory has changed or is not listed please send him an email with your correct email address. bcasper@cox.net



PROGRAM

BAROQUE FESTIVAL



Date: Saturday, February 2, 2008

Place: Saddleback College, FA101

Program I - 8:30 AM

Program II - 9:30 AM

Program III - 10:30 AM

Program IV - 11:30 AM

Program V - 1:30 PM

Program VI - 2:30 PM

Any questions or request please contact: **Angela Leu** at: (949) 697-2888 or leulu88@yahoo.com

SHOWCASE RECITALS



DATE & TIME: April 13, 2008, Sundays at 2:00 PM

LOCATION: Mission Viejo Civic Center

Last Showcase of this year!

DEADLINE: Mar. 30 for April 13 recital

We had a great turn out for Jan. Showcase Recital. There were 1 violinist, 1 voice, 2 sets of duets and 21 piano players. Studios Represented were: **Barbara Anderson; Mari Haig; Katheryn Klein; Angela Leu; Betty Liu; Irina Nagorsky; Viktoriya Rubinchik; Nilou Sarraf; Diane Sears; Jung Sook Lee-French; Sakura Wang.**

There is one more **Showcase Recital** on **April 13th**. It is open to all instruments and voice from prep to advance level.

You can fill out the application by going to www.mtacocc.org . Click on “forms” and choose “showcase.” For your convenience, the form is also available in **October Newsletter** (see the end page.) Please contact **Nilou Sarraf** (949) 858-4275 or nilousarraf@cox.net.

Mail application and one check (total of students’ fees made out to MTAC OCC) to:
Nilou Sarraf: 28402 Quiet Hill, Trabuco Canyon, CA 92679-1117

VOCE RECITAL

- Vocalists, Orchestral instrumentalists, Chamber music, Ensembles -



DATE & TIME: Saturday, February 16, 2008, 9AM

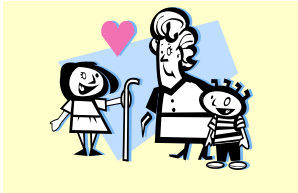
LOCATION: Saddleback College, FA101

VOCE competition/recital will start Sat. Feb. 16th at 9am, Saddleback College room 101. We have chamber groups and vocalists from three branches---**OCC, Irvine and Long Beach.** It will be a great program!

Any questions please contact **Shelley Johnson.**

shelleyjean1@cox.net or (949) 888-0313

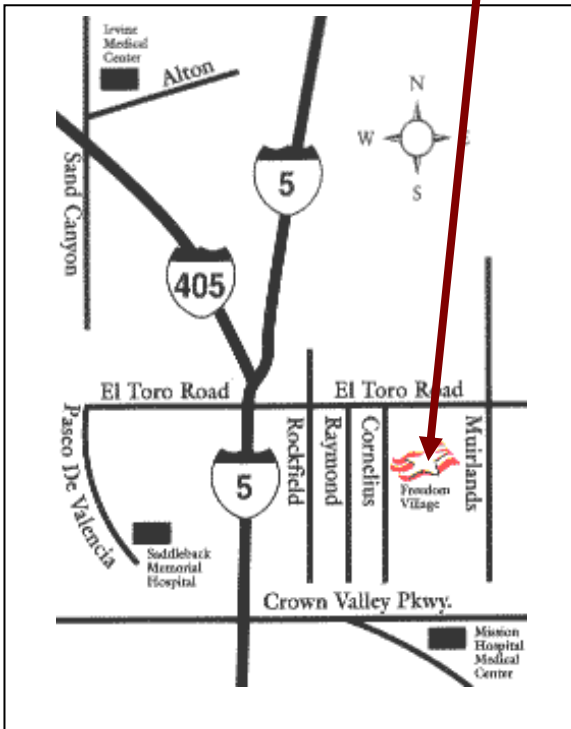
COMMUNITY SERVICE RECITALS



DATE: Sunday, February 24, 3:00PM

LOCATION: Freedom Village of Lake Forest

3442 El Toro Road, Lake Forest, CA 92630 (949) 472-4700



The next **Community Service Recital** will take place at **3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 24** at **Freedom Village** in Lake Forest. Application forms and maps are available in the **September newsletter** and on the website at: www.mtacocc.org (Click on the "Forms" box.)

Mail forms & one check for the total amount of students' fees made out to MTAC Orange Coast Cities to:

Jennifer King (661-1098)

6 Tremount, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

Deadline for Feb. 24 recital: **Saturday, Feb. 9**

♪Currently planned **future recital:**

Apr. 13 at Aegis.

Last Community Recital of this year!

Deadline: Saturday Mar. 29

BACH FESTIVAL

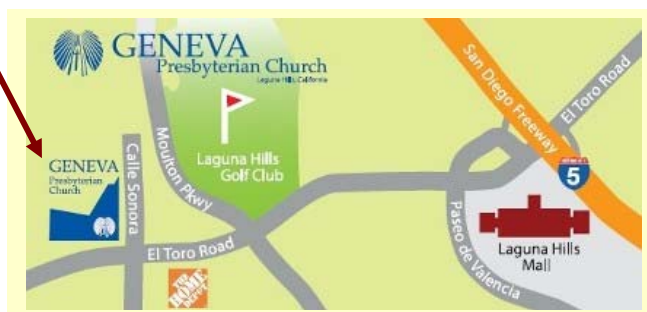


Date: Saturday, February 23, 2008

Place: Geneva Presbyterian Church
24301 El Toro Road,
Laguna Woods, CA

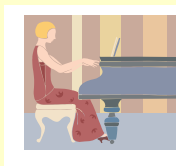


Bach Festival Chair
Itoe Honda Akimoto
25582 Maximus Street
Mission Viejo, CA 92691
(949) 951-1677



If you have questions, please contact **Pamela Worcester, Region V Bach Chair** at 949-581-1467 or pocky@cox.net.

ADULT STUDENT WORKSHOP



DATE: Sunday, February 27, 1:00PM
LOCATION: Mission Viejo Civic Center

Deadline: Feb. 1

Please contact **Christine Jones** 859-7463 for details.

COMPOSERS TODAY



IMPORTANT DEADLINES FOR ENTRY

February 15 CT Evaluation manuscripts due to **Angela Leu** 949-697-2888
March 30 State Contest Entries due to **Angela Leu**
April 15 **Convention Symposium** - Each teacher sends applications directly to Symposium Chair, **Tamara Pease Ordaz** 562-697-7989

Please visit state website <http://www.mtac.org/programs/ct/index.shtml> for details.

YCG (YOUNG COMPOSERS GUILD)



February 15, 2008 is the **Postmark Deadline** for YCG applications to **YCG Chair, Ron Anderson** (626-836-8935).

Please visit state website <http://www.mtac.org/programs/ycg/index.shtml> for **Young Composers Guild information and Fill-in Forms**.

SADDLEBACK COLLEGE CONCERTO COMPETITION

Results

1st Place: **Myrna Chen** (Student of **Margery Burger**: OCC member)
3rd Place: **Tiffany Hsu** (Student of **Margery Burger**: OCC member)
Honorable Mention: **Kristen Wernick** (Student of **Shelley Johnson**: OCC member)

1st and 3rd place winners will be performing with Saddleback College Symphony Orchestra.

Winners' Performance

Concerto Gala Concert

with

Saddleback College Symphony Orchestra

Date: **Saturday, March 15, 2008, 8:00PM**

Location: **Saddleback College, McKinney Theater**

Myrna Chen Beethoven: *Piano Concerto No. 3*

Tiffany Hsu Mozart: *Piano Concerto No. 16*

Tickets: **Saddleback College Fine Arts Tickets Office 949-582-4656**

Congratulations!

(Pamela Worcester)



CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

- Message from Judy Jenkins -

CM INFORMATION – PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY!

January 28 was the cutoff date for entering students’ repertoire online. **THIS MUST NOT BE CHANGED** without notifying me, **Judy Jenkins**, and showing up at my house to make all the necessary paperwork changes if the forms are already printed. (I’m not kidding!)

Your student schedule and work assignment will be sent the last week of February. If your email address is correct on the CM database, your student schedule will be available earlier! This does not mean that it’s correct in any yearbook; the database is essential!

Please accept your work assignment graciously, even if it is not ideal. We all greatly appreciate the work of **JoEllen Vandruff** in making everyone fit. If you **MUST** change your assignment, please email her (jo@marshallart.com) immediately. No last minute changes, please!

If you must drop a student or change a student to **Path B**, let me know right away. We keep a timely and accurate record of drops and changes so that we can schedule properly.

Again, here’s the main part of the schedule:

	Voice	March 8	Saturday	TBA
		March 9	Sunday	Saddleback
	Strings	March 15	Sunday	Saddleback
	Theory	March 15/16	Sat./Sun.	Mission Viejo Civic Center
	Piano	March 30	Sunday	Saddleback
		April 5	Saturday	Private studios
		April 6	Sunday	Saddleback
Branch Honors Application deadline: April 12 (already!)				
Convention Program Application deadline: April 15 (already!)				

MORE IMPORTANT NEWS:

Published Score Now Required for Evaluator:

*Students are required to provide the evaluator an **original published score for each piece performed**. A second original published score must be provided for any pieces not memorized. Failure to do so will disqualify student from Convention & Honors performances. Many teachers have substantial libraries; perhaps they will loan music for this purpose.*

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BRANCH HONORS RECITAL



Application Deadline: April 12 - forms due to:
Anne Prestridge
101 Avenida Santiago
San Clemente, CA 92672 anne@harvhome.com

Date: **Saturday, April 26, 2008**
Location: **Mission Viejo Civic Center**
Chairs: **Anne Prestridge and Ann Fields**

Requirements for students to be eligible to perform at the Branch Honors Recital:

- ❖ Evaluator will select piece and give rating.
- ❖ 5+ or 5 Evaluator rating on selected piece.
- ❖ Students that receive 5- and 4+ ratings and meet all other requirements will be listed in the program, as will higher rated students who choose not to perform.
- ❖ Level 5 – Advanced
- ❖ Sight Reading and Technique ratings of Excellent or Good.
- ❖ Theory test passed.
- ❖ CM memorization requirement for level must be met (2 pieces, each level).

CM questions or problems?

Call or, preferably, email at jenkinsmusic@cox.net

Judy Jenkins: CM Chair

26762 Merino Cirle, Mission Viejo, CA 92691-5434 (949-859-8849)

♪ Past Theory Exams, Sight-reading materials: Call **MTAC State Office (800) 834-3340** to order.



BRANCH MEETING

♠ **Wednesday, February 13, 2008, 10AM**
(Laguna Hills Community Center)



Craig Richey is currently on the piano faculty at **California State University in Long Beach**. Among the classes he teaches is accompanying. Having grown up in a family of string players, he has extensive experience with strings. One of the pieces to be included in the master class he will be conducting is a *Haydn's Piano Trio*.

The students that will be playing in the master class are from the studios of **Mari Haig, Laurie Meinhold, Nakyong Chai** and **Margery Burger**.

Craig has evaluated for several of our festivals, most recently the **2007 Contemporary Music Festival**. I hope to see many of (including string teachers) at the February meeting. You will be interested to hear a few little known facts about **Craig Richey**.

(Bobbette Cameron)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

♥♥*Win a box of fine chocolate!*♥♥

Teachers and all Recital/Festival Chairs: Throughout the year, please get to me two (2) copies of your recital programs. You can either:

1) Mail the program to: **Anne Prestridge**
101 Avenida Santiago
San Clemente, CA 92672

2) Email the program to anne@harvhome.com

3) Bring them to the monthly branch meetings and deposit into the basket marked **ASCAP**.

One copy of the program will go to **ASCAP** and the other will be put into the **Branch Scrapbook**. For each program sent, your name will be entered into a drawing for a delicious box of fine chocolate made by Anne's piano student, **Kim Maya**, owner of **Schmid's Fine Chocolate** of San Clemente. The drawing will take place at our May branch meeting.

The reason why are you asked to do this: The State Board of **MTAC** has entered into a new **ASCAP** (American Society of Composers, Authors, & Publishers) agreement. All compositions performed in branch and individual **MTAC** teachers' studio recitals are now covered for copyright licensing. Programs will be sent to **ASCAP**. They will sort out works in Public Domain and extend royalty payments to all **ASCAP** composers and publishers whose works have been performed.

(Anne Prestridge)

♣ *The Musical Arts Club of Orange County Audition*

The Musical Arts Club of Orange County will hold its annual music auditions on **April 5, 2008** at **Cal State University, Long Beach**. There are seven divisions: piano, violin, cello, woodwind, classical guitar, vocal (classical), and vocal (musical theater). For membership information and updated repertoire lists please

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go to www.musicalartsclub.org or contact **Elizabeth Chang** at 714-996-2225 (email: playitbach@roadrunner.com). **The Winners' Recital** will be held on **May 25th** at the **Nixon Library**.

(Pamela Worcester)

♣ *Adult Performance Program South*

The 2008 Adult Performance Program South will take place on **Sunday, April 13, 2008**, at **Chapman University** in Orange from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The deadline to submit an application is **February 15, 2008**.

Master teachers for this event include **Antoinette Perry** (USC faculty), and **Susan Svrcek** (Pasadena Conservatory). To obtain an application form, please visit the www.mtac.org website and click on Adult Performance, or call **Dr. Joseph Matthews** at 714-771-7190.

(Angela Leu)

EVENTS/CONCERTS

♣ *Laguna Community Concert Band*

- Three of OCC members will be performing!

Date & Time: **Saturday, Feb. 10, 3PM**
Location: **Laguna Beach High School Artists' Theater**

Laguna Community Concert Band is having its "American Classics" show. The concert will include the **Laguna Beach Community Concert Band**, the **Swing Set stage band**, **Linda Hughes** singing "*Ella - 1st Lady of Song*", **Gallimaufry Performing Arts** - **Laguna Tunes** vocal selections, a percussion ensemble playing "*Peter Gunn*", and some of your favorite classics like "*Russian Sailors Dance*", "*Carmen Suite*", selections from "*Pictures at an Exhibition*", "*Fugue on Yankee Doodle*" and others. The concert is **FREE**, the parking is **FREE** and there will be door prizes.

(Bobbette Cameron)

♣ Keyboard Collaboration Concert

Valentine Tango

Date & Time: **Sunday, Feb. 10, 3PM**
Location: **Irvine Yamaha Music Center**
4620 Barranca Parkway
Irvine, CA 92604
(Admission: \$5.00)

- Keyboard collaboration works for understanding and exploring the intricacy of **Tangos**: works of *Astor Piazzolla*, etc....

Performers: **Satomi Otsubo** (Irvine member), **Ana Contreras** (Irvine member), **Ellen Suselo** (Irvine member), **Keiko Katie Ikeda** (OCC member), **Elisa Tseng**

Due to the limited seating, please contact performers or call 949-633-7164 for tickets in advance.



(Keiko Ikeda)

♣ *Great Russian Artists* *& Leonid Levitsky*

Date & Time: **Monday, Feb. 11, 8PM**
At: *Private residence in Laguna Niguel*
(Ticket: \$50.00)

- *Sonata for Violin and Piano* by **Mozart**
- *Piano Trio in C Major* by **Mozart**
- *Piano Trio in D Minor* by **Mendelssohn**

-**Leonid Levitsky** (pianist, OCC member)
-**Alexander Gotgelf** (principle cellist of *Russian National Orchestra*)
-**Aleksei Bruni** (principle violinist of *Russian National Orchestra*)

Contact: Need to send checks in advance to reserve seats. Contact **Leonid Levitsky** 949-643-0494 as soon as possible!

(Leonid Levitsky)

♣ **Pacific Symphony Events**

<http://pacificsymphony.entericorp.com/>

♣ **Philharmonic Society Events**

<http://www.philharmonicsociety.org>

♣ **Saddleback College Events**

<http://www.saddleback.edu/arts/documents/PerfArtsBrocSp08.pdf>

♣ **Irvine Valley College Events**

<http://www.ivc.edu/arts/pages/default.aspx>

♣ **UC Irvine Events**

http://www.arts.uci.edu/events_listview.php?month=200801

♣ **CSU Fullerton Events**

<http://www.fullerton.edu/arts/events/FutureMonthsInfo.html>

♣ **Fullerton College Events**

<http://music.fullcoll.edu/season/calendar.asp>

◆ *On sending newsletter articles to editor...*

My e-mail address, toneofbell@yahoo.com has experienced some unsuccessful mail deliveries, especially with messages from/to **Yahoo Mail** members and **Hotmail** members. It may be related with my having installed more powerful virus protection program onto my PC.

To not miss any items from you, I will appreciate if you could send your articles/announcements for the OCC branch newsletters to both toneofbell@yahoo.com and toneofbell@hotmail.com .

I apologize for the inconvenience, and hope that, with this way, I will catch them all!

THANK YOU.

Editor: Keiko Ikeda

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